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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HAJIME IKEDA, ET AL.) : Examiner: Sheridan R. MacCauley
Application No.: 10/580,554) : Group Art Unit: 1651
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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants respond to the Official Action dated February 6, 2008 (Paper No. 20080202) in the above-identified application, as follows.